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# SINCLAIR WEEKS WARNS OF 'SPOTTY ECONOMY'



A party of 32 Moscow transport workers who are currently touring England—the first Soviet tourists since the end of the second world war—visited last week the Chiswick works and Hammett Smith Trolley Works of the London Transport Executive. Pictured is the only woman in the party, Mrs. Pelegaya Fedina, a Moscow trolleybus driver, stepping down from a London trolleybus she had just been trying out. Assisting her is Miss Monica Byrne, 21-year-old London conductress.—Express Photo.

## Russians Respect Religious Groups

Moscow, May 24.

Mr Nikita Khrushchev, secretary of the Soviet Communist Party, said today "We respect any group which adheres to any religion, though we ourselves do not believe in God."

## Mr France's Sincere Policy

Paris, May 24.

Radical deputies in the National Assembly today voted a motion paying tribute to the sincerity of M. Mendes-France, former Radical Premier, in resigning from the Government because he disagreed with its Algerian policy.

The same motion also expressed the Radical group's confidence in the Government. The deputies earlier rejected a motion which appealed for "complete unity around the Government" and condemned "all division, apparent or real."

The rejected motion did not mention M. Mendes-France. A Socialist deputy, M. Francis Vols, today tabled a proposal calling for a debate on the Government's general policy, covering the economic, financial and social fields, as its policy in Algeria, Tunisia and Morocco.

Political observers thought the Government might accept this proposal when the Assembly's steering committee meets tomorrow to fix the agenda for the coming week. In that case the Government was expected to end the debate by asking for a vote of confidence on its general policy.—China Mail Special.

## Hygiene And Cabaret For Africans

Leopoldville, May 24. Every night at eight o'clock Africans in remote villages of the Belgian Congo gather round communal loudspeakers for their daily two-hour session of hygiene and household hints, local and international news, French cabaret songs and South American dance music. The call sign is "Halle Balon-goe, Balon-goe, Balon-goe, Wawahili, Wawahili and Wawahili." This is Radio Belgian Congo calling. Audience research shows that jazz and negro spirituals have no appeal to Congo Africans, although there are many requests for Hawaiian music.—China Mail Special.

Washington, May 24. The Secretary of Commerce, Mr Sinclair Weeks, told a Press conference today that economy in the United States was "very spotty."

The long slump in stock market prices obviously represented somebody of opinion on business conditions but not as much as it did in the old days, he said in reply to a question as to whether actual business conditions justified the market slump.

"This is a very spotty economy today," Mr Weeks said. "Automobiles, farm implements and some other industries have sagged off more than we thought they would."

"The shortage of money also may be having some effect."

### Cautious Eye

"But the encouraging fact is that every sector of industry is spending money—showing that they have confidence that this economy will move ahead."

Earlier, soft spots in the economy were reported to have led motor car makers to ease up on their "hard sell" advertising efforts, a large television set manufacturer to consider suspending operations and manufacturers to cast a cautious eye on the build-up of inventories.

Unemployment has reached 150,000 in the motor industry, and yesterday the Federal Department of Labour declared four motor centres "surplus labour areas," giving them preference for Government contracts.

Farm machinery and the appliance industry were also in the depressed category.

On the other hand, oil, coal, aircraft manufacturing, machine tool building, non-residential construction and electric power industries were reported in a state of brisk activity.

### Durable Goods Record

The Wall Street Journal today announced its poll of industrial buyers and steel makers. It reported that manufacturers are putting a brake on the 1955-56 inventory build-up, and added:

"The record level of durable goods inventories has been a source of concern to some economists. Reduction in large inventories was a major factor in the recessions of 1948-49 and 1953-54."

In steel, the Wall Street Journal said there may be a cut of 10 to 15 per cent in operations during the summer, but demand continued strong for a number of major products in which supplies were still tight. Steel makers were confident the year would turn out to be one of the best on record, the newspaper said.

Mr Henry Ford, president of the Ford Motor Company told 5,000 of the company's stockholders in Detroit today that while there would be a decline in sales and production, the long-term future was "particularly bright."

### Expanding

The stockholders, holding the first annual meeting since Ford stock was placed on public sale last January, met in a huge tent on a lawn of the Ford factory grounds.

He said it now appeared that domestic sales of new cars for the whole industry this year would be under six million compared with 7,400,000 last year, which broke all records. Almost 1,000 million dollars would be spent during the next two years in expanding and modernizing factories and this expenditure would pay off in increased income in the future.—Reuter.

### WHITE SPARROW

Brussels, May 24.

M. Demuyne, a Belgian naturalist, has caught a completely white sparrow at Knokke-Zoute. He said it was an extremely rare albino.—China Mail Special.

## Widows Crash 'Stag' Club

Tokyo, May 24.

Lonely widows in Kuno, a town in Kyushu, southern Japan, decided to form a "Solitude Club" and hold an annual men only consolation party once a year.

When the local widows heard about it they denounced the project as "ungentlemanly and inconsiderate" and decided that they should be allowed to join the club.

The sponsors agreed but added a rule that only widows and widowers between the ages of 50 and 80 would qualify.—China Mail Special.

## ANTARCTIC MEETING DENIED

Paris, May 24.

The headquarters here of the French Antarctic expedition to mark the geophysical year today issued a statement denying that Russian explorers had visited the French base in Adelie Land.

The statement said "the French Antarctic expedition of the Geophysical Year, whose headquarters are in Paris, formally deny the report from a foreign source according to which the Soviet Antarctic expedition aboard the Ob visited the French base at Adelie Land on May 21."

Moscow radio, in Russian, said the Soviet expedition's supply ship Ob approached the French expedition headquarters on an island off the coast of Adelie Land.

The broadcast continued, "visits between the two expeditions followed the focal point of the talks were the successfully concluded Franco-Soviet talks in Moscow and the further strengthening of friendship between the Soviet and French peoples."

This meeting of French and Soviet scientists on a far off island once again demonstrated their desire to live in peace and friendship, said the report.—China Mail Special.

## Postwar Mine Casualties

New York, May 24.

The American cargo war risk reinsurance exchange reported today that 488 ships had been sunk or damaged by floating mines in the 10 years since World War II.

Nine such incidents were reported during 1955, the exchange said, and one has been reported so far in 1956.

The Danish government has reported that some 2,000 live mines are believed still floating in its waters; some 3,000 are believed still active in Japan's Inland Sea. The Nationalist Chinese are still mining the territorial waters of Formosa, the exchange said.—United Press.

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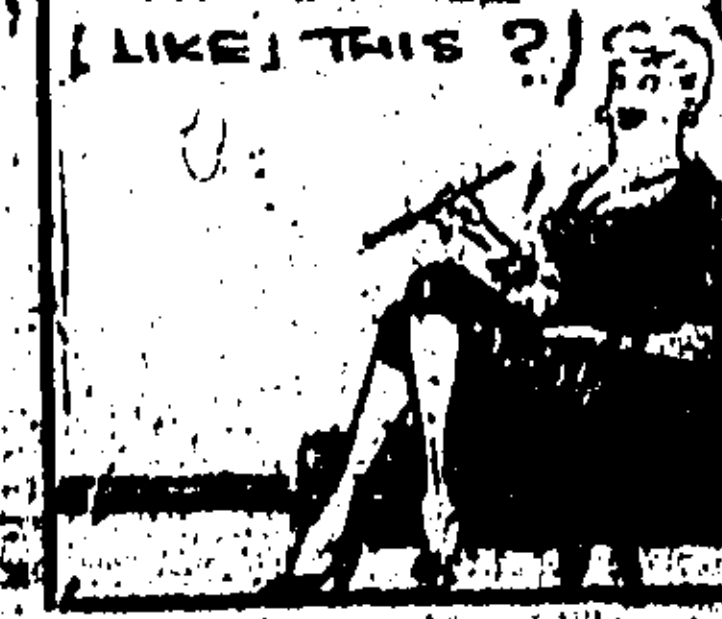
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### Bird calls





# New Attempt To Discredit US Policies?



## Dr Prasad Appeals For Disarmament

New Delhi, May 24. ADDRESSING a meeting here today in celebration of the 2,500th anniversary of Buddhism the Indian President, Dr Rajendra Prasad, said he hoped the efforts now being made by various countries to agree on a disarmament programme would bear fruit.

"Then alone shall we be able to say that the world is not indifferent to Buddha's message and that we are endeavouring to mould our lives on Buddha's inextinguishable tenet that non-violence, not violence, can end violence and aggression."

Dr Prasad said he hoped India would have the strength to disarm herself and thus prove "that she places no reliance on brute force."

### DIM RAY OF HOPE

He added: "There is a dim ray of hope visible on the horizon. Several countries are inclining to peace (the five principles of co-existence) and some have already accepted it."

The Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, said the world had started realising that the atom bomb was not the remedy for the atom bomb.

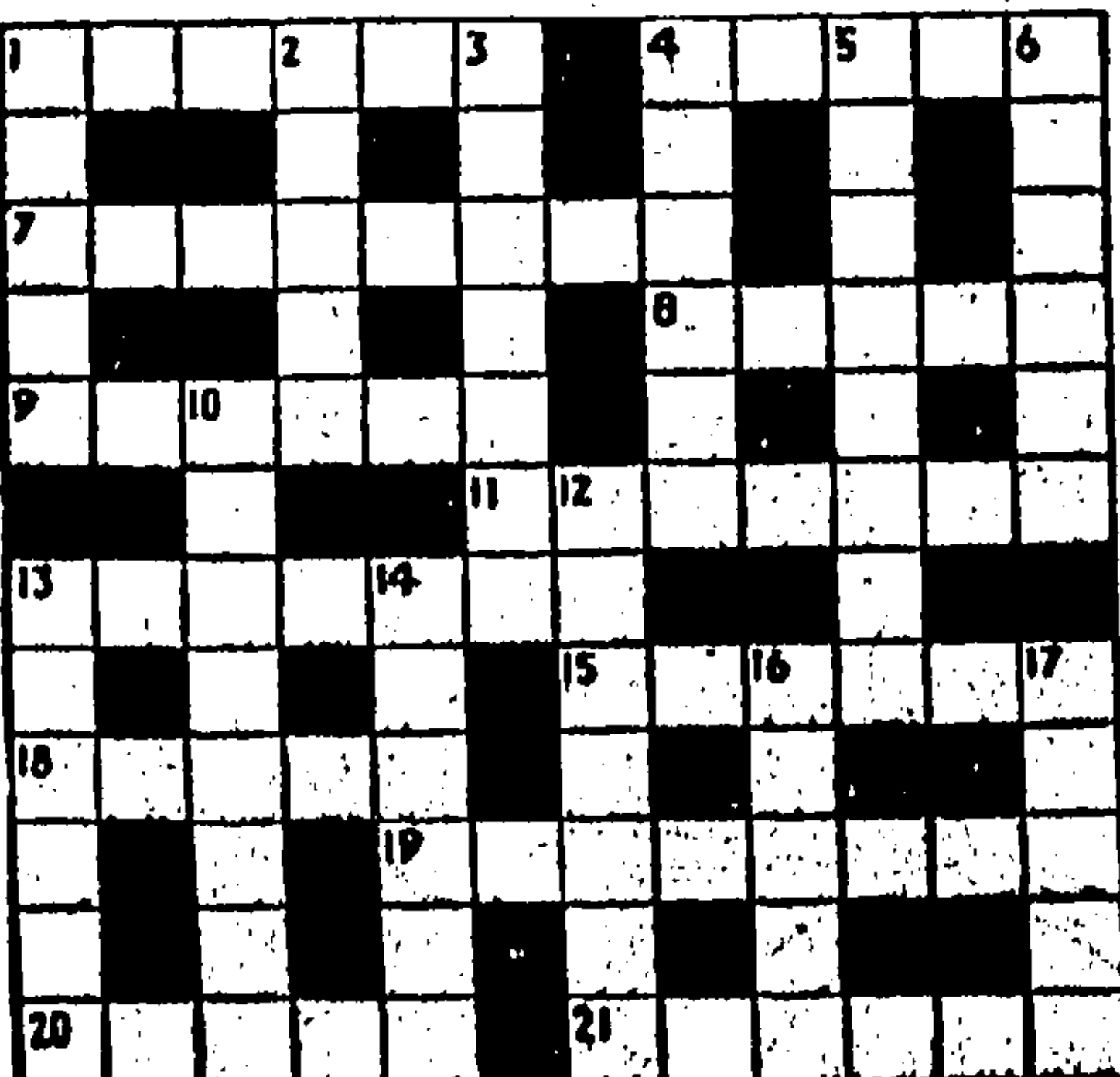
"A dim ray of hope of peace is dawning on the world's horizon. But it is dim because it is born of fear and apprehension of the atom bomb," he said.

Mr. Nehru quoted Buddha's teaching that hatred could be wiped out by love and Buddha's opposition to caste discrimination, both among individuals and nations. —Reuter.

Paris, May 24.

A seven-member cultural delegation from the Argentine, led by Americo Nunziola, arrived in Peking by air today, Peking radio reported tonight. —France-Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS  
1 Fight (6)  
4 Choice (6)  
7 Opening (8)  
8 Social destination (6)  
9 Insect (8)  
11 Perfume (7)  
12 Treason (7)  
13 Slave (8)  
14 Couple (5)  
15 Revolving (6)  
20 Mournful refrain (8)  
21 Memory (6)

DOWN  
1 Heavy fall (5)  
2 Nobleman (5)  
3 Had vengeance in (7)  
4 Humanity (8)  
5 Slave (6)  
6 Slave (6)  
10 Servant (8)  
12 Reptile (7)  
13 Be imminent (6)  
14 Insecure (8)  
16 Tree (6)  
17 Vision (6)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1-Spur, 2-Testing, 3-Oral, 4-Mean, 5-Lazyard, 6-Bug, 7-Score, 8-Swedes, 9-Across, 10-Adder, 11-Spoken, 12-Rent, 13-Jelly, 14-Cobbles, 15-Idol, 16-Turn, 17-Brinkley, 18-Crow, 19-Bow, 20-Treter, 21-Rouges, 22-Tales, 23-Elated, 24-Thyme, 25-Glance, 26-Side, 27-Note, 28-Tide, 29-Sort, 30-Greens, 31-Drying, 32-Droxy, 33-Down, 34-Camp, 35-Busy.

## PRAVDA ATTACKS SWOOP ON AMERICAN REDS

By John Rettie

Moscow, May 24.

Pravda, the Soviet Communist Party newspaper, today launched a new violent attack on "reactionary forces" in the United States for making "new attempts to fan anti-Communist hysteria."

It referred to the raids carried out last March on Communist Party and Daily Worker offices in New York, San Francisco, Chicago, and other American cities by officials of the United States Treasury in an income-tax checkup.

The newspaper, in one of the sharpest anti-American articles for some time, declared that this "hysteria campaign" revealed that "certain circles in the United States were extremely worried by the lessening of international tensions."

### Claim Credit

Claiming credit for Russia in reducing international tensions, Pravda said: "The reactionary circles of the United States see the main propaganda trumpets slipping out of their hands and that is why these forces decided to resort to provocation against the United States Communist Party."

The fact that Pravda waited nearly two months before launching an attack has led some observers to speculate that the article might herald a new all-out onslaught against the so-called American "reactionary forces."

It was thought that the Soviet leaders, after their meetings with the British and French leaders, might feel confident enough for a final effort to isolate the United States and discredit her policy both at home and abroad. —China Mail Special.

## Underground Attacks On Police

Vienno, May 24. More than 30,000 members of the secret police, soldiers and party officials have been killed by "enemies of the people's regime" since the Reds took over Poland, it was reported today.

The provincial Communist Polish newspaper, Glos Koscian, said these casualties had been inflicted since the end of World War II.

It was the first time the Polish Press had published casualty figures from reported anti-Communist underground activities. But no details were given. —United Press.

## Russians Against Arbitration

Geneva, May 24.

Professor S. B. Krylov, Soviet delegate to the United Nations International Law Commission, today proposed that compulsory arbitration for disputes arising over the conservation of fisheries be dropped from the draft of the "regime of the high seas", now being prepared for approval by the UN General Assembly.

The Soviet delegate was supported by the representatives of Czechoslovakia and Mexico.

Yesterday, the commission reaffirmed that any coastal state had the right to take unilateral measures to conserve fisheries in the high seas off its coast. This was the result of a compromise based on the fact that other states in dispute with the coastal state would have the right to resort to an arbitration to an arbitration tribunal, whose decisions would be binding on both parties.

Professor Krylov declared today that compulsory arbitration was gradually disappearing from legal practice and would never be accepted by the majority of the United Nations members.

### MEANINGLESS

Sir Gerald Fitzmaurice (Britain) warned the commission that if the article regarding compulsory arbitration was deleted, the whole draft on fisheries on the high seas would become meaningless.

He declared that the one indispensable condition in granting coastal states the right to formulate special measures was the right for other states to be able, if necessary, to appeal against them and take their appeal to a tribunal.

Professor A. E. F. Sandstrom (Sweden) and Professor Georges Scelle (France) supported the British view but others of the commission's 15 members appeared to be fairly equally divided.

The discussion continues tomorrow. —China Mail Special.

## Yacht Built In Backyard

Auckland, May 24.

A yachtman in Auckland, New Zealand, is planning to sail to England in a boat he has built in a backyard. He is Mr. Mark Anthony, of Dedwood Terrace, Ponsonby.

Mr. Anthony, who is a retired engineer, has spent three-and-a-half years building his craft. It is a luxury auxiliary yacht, 42ft long, with a 12ft beam, 6ft draught, and a ketch rig. He has built the vessel, a sleek, flush-decked, all-kauri affair, practically unaided. A shipmate assisted him for a few months with the planking, and one of his sons has helped from time to time. The yacht, which has been named Rangitiki, meaning "chief", has two wheels—one on deck and one below. "An old ocean-going hand, Mr. Anthony believes there is no equal in getting wet when sailing."

Construction of the Rangitiki occupied Mr. Anthony for 15 hours a day since the end of 1953. —China Mail Special.

## Overseas Nurses In London



Many nurses from overseas now in London for post-graduate study were present at a reception given last week at Florence Nightingale House by Lord Luke, Chairman of the National Florence Nightingale Committee. Four of the nurses at the reception are pictured here. From left are: Miss Wong of Singapore; Miss Olga Saunders of Kenya; Mrs. L. S. Thomas of Western Nigeria; Miss Christina Ng of Singapore. —Express Photo.

## ALGERIAN SETTLEMENT

# Syrian Premier Puts Hopes In Nehru's Plan

Damascus, May 24.

Said Ghazzi, the Syrian Premier, said here today he hoped France would settle the Algerian question along the lines proposed earlier this week by Mr. Nehru, the Indian Premier.

He added that the Syrian Government was now actively studying the five-point plan put forward by the Indian Prime Minister last Tuesday.

Meanwhile, representatives of the Algerian "Liberation Front" here went to see the Minister for the Interior, Ali Bouzu, to ask for Government permission to hold an "Algerian week" in Syria to raise money for the Algerian Nationalists.

Usually reliable sources said that the Syrian Government is now considering donating one million pounds Syrian (about \$2,210,000) for the relief of Algerian war victims. —Reuter.

## Nye Bevan Predicts Trouble In S'pore

London, May 24.

Mr. Aneurin Bevan, British left-wing Labour Party leader, said here today that as a result of the recent talks here on the future of Singapore, the British Government had "exchanged a fear of trouble for its certainty."

Mr. Bevan was writing in the Tribune, left-wing Socialist weekly, criticising Britain's overseas strategy, based on the fortresses of Singapore, Cyprus, Aden and Gibraltar. He argued that the threat that the Western powers were supposed to meet had been wrongly assessed, and that an attempt had been made to base strategy on unstable political conditions.

### A Condition

Referring to the failure of the recent London talks on Singapore, he said: "The British Government feared the internal disorder might endanger the base and thus make nonsense of its rights over defence, even granting grounds for this fear."

"What Mr. Lomax-Boyd, the Colonial Secretary, has now done is to exchange a fear of trouble for its certainty."

"If self-government had been accorded to Singapore, its members would realise from the beginning that the maintenance of internal order would be a condition for the continuation of self-government."

## Commission Completing Chandra Bose Probe

Tokyo, May 24.

The Chandra Bose Inquiry Commission which has been in Japan since May 4, probing into the circumstances leading to the reported death of Chandra Bose, is about to wind up its investigation, its chairman, Shah Nawaz Khan, told an AFP correspondent today.

Khan said that over 40 witnesses have been interviewed and examined and that the commission plans to interview six more. He made it clear, however, that the commission has almost completed its examination of key witnesses.

He said other members of the commission were silent about the outcome of the exhaustive inquiry, saying that the commission will merely submit its findings to the Indian Government and Parliament, "so that they can pronounce their own verdict on whether Chandra Bose died or whether he is still alive."

### Crashed In 1945

However, sources close to the commission indicated that all its findings point to a confirmation of the Indian patriot's death, despite the lack of "conclusive evidence" to support this owing to the lapse of time—ten years.

The plane crash in which Chandra Bose was reported to have died took place in August, 1945 in Taipei. These sources said that all evidence and clues that the commission had been collecting were not in the form of authentic documents but in the form of verbal statements.

Khan said the commission considers as key witnesses those who actually saw the plane crash and those who took part in the rescue work and gave medical treatment.

### No Great Value

Meanwhile, Khan indicated that all rumours about "fabulous riches" in Bose's possession were without any solid foundation.

"A treasure in the form of diamonds and other precious stones that Bose was supposed to have been carrying is a myth. They were ornaments of no great value," Khan said. —France-Press.

## GRATEFUL FATHER

Paris, May 24.

A grateful father in Shanghai today presented a photo of a sturdy one-year-old premature baby to the Shanghai No. 4 Hospital for saving the life of his daughter, who was only seven months and weighed two pounds at birth, Peking radio reported tonight.

The baby, born in May last year, was bred in an incubator. As she could not suck, nurses had to feed her milk through a rubber tube to her stomach. Today, this premature baby is already a 20-pound healthy toddler.

The radio added that there are now 18 premature babies in the hospital's nursery and records show that they are all doing well. —France-Press.

London, May 24.

The British Independent Labour Party today proposed the establishment of a new Socialist International.

The ILP said the present so-called Socialist International did not function in the interests of socialism.

Once a thriving section of the British Labour movement, ILP has sent no members to Parliament since World War Two. —France-Press.

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## Sea God Pacified —Cost \$5,000

Ipo, May 24.

About 10,000 superstitious fishermen on Pangloss Island, off the west coast of Perak State, Northern Malaya, believe that they have now pacified their "angry" sea god by offering up prayers and sacrificing animals.

During a three-day ceremony, they spent more than 5,000 Straits dollars on "peace offerings" to their sea god, hoping to get better luck in fishing. They also went on a vegetarian diet and stopped fishing. —China Mail Special.

## Miss Universe Contest In July

Long Beach, May 24.

Japan is among the countries which will be sending contestants to the fifth annual Miss Universe beauty pageant here from July 12 to 22, it was announced here today.

Soviet-Colombian, Dominican Republic, the Guianas, Iceland, Pakistan, Paraguay and Turkey are competing for the first time.

The others are: Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Argentina, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, England, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Israel, Italy, Mexico, Nicaragua, Peru, Puerto Rico, Sweden, Uruguay and Venezuela.

Pageant officials said another half dozen or so nations would probably enter later. —Reuter.

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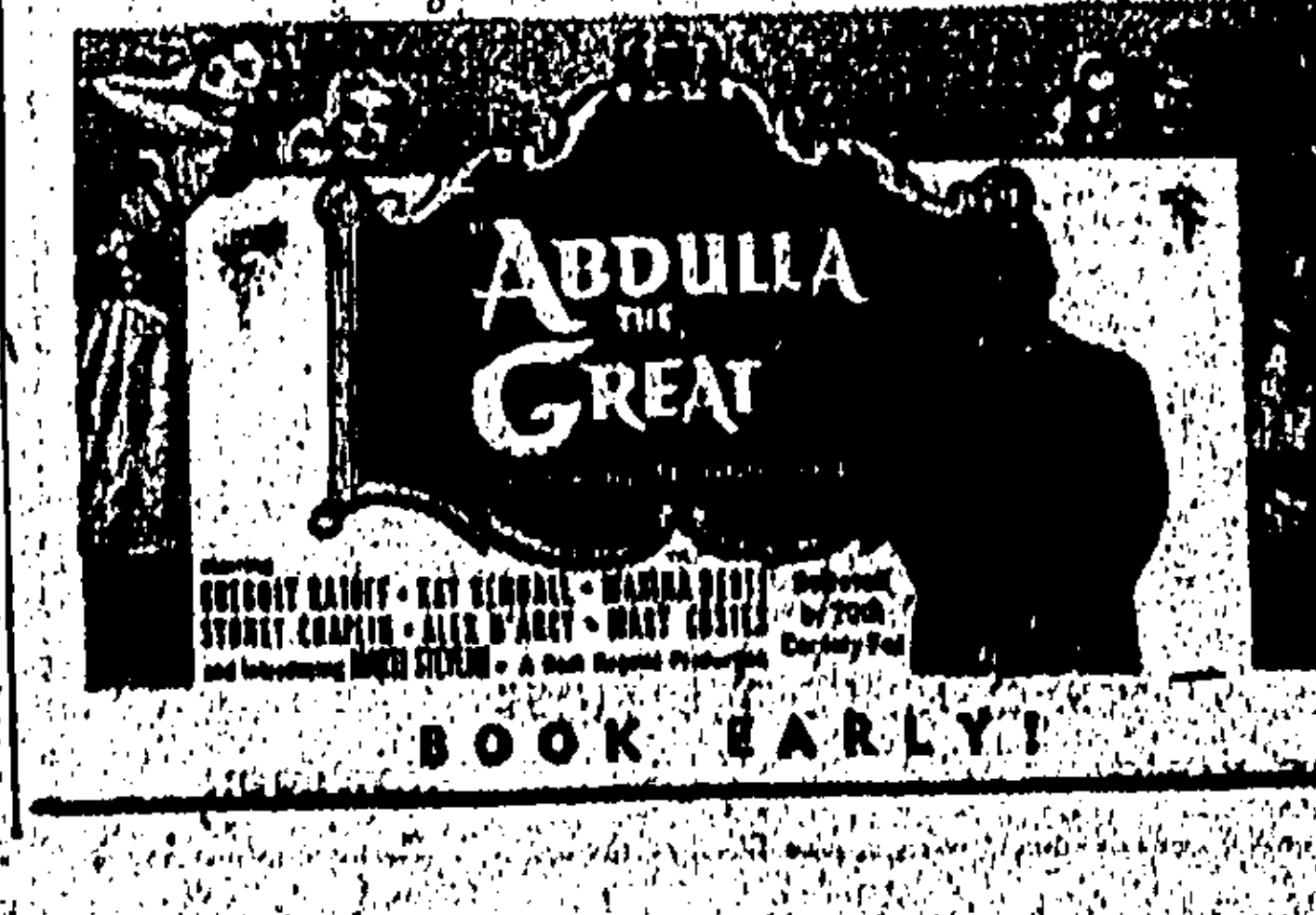


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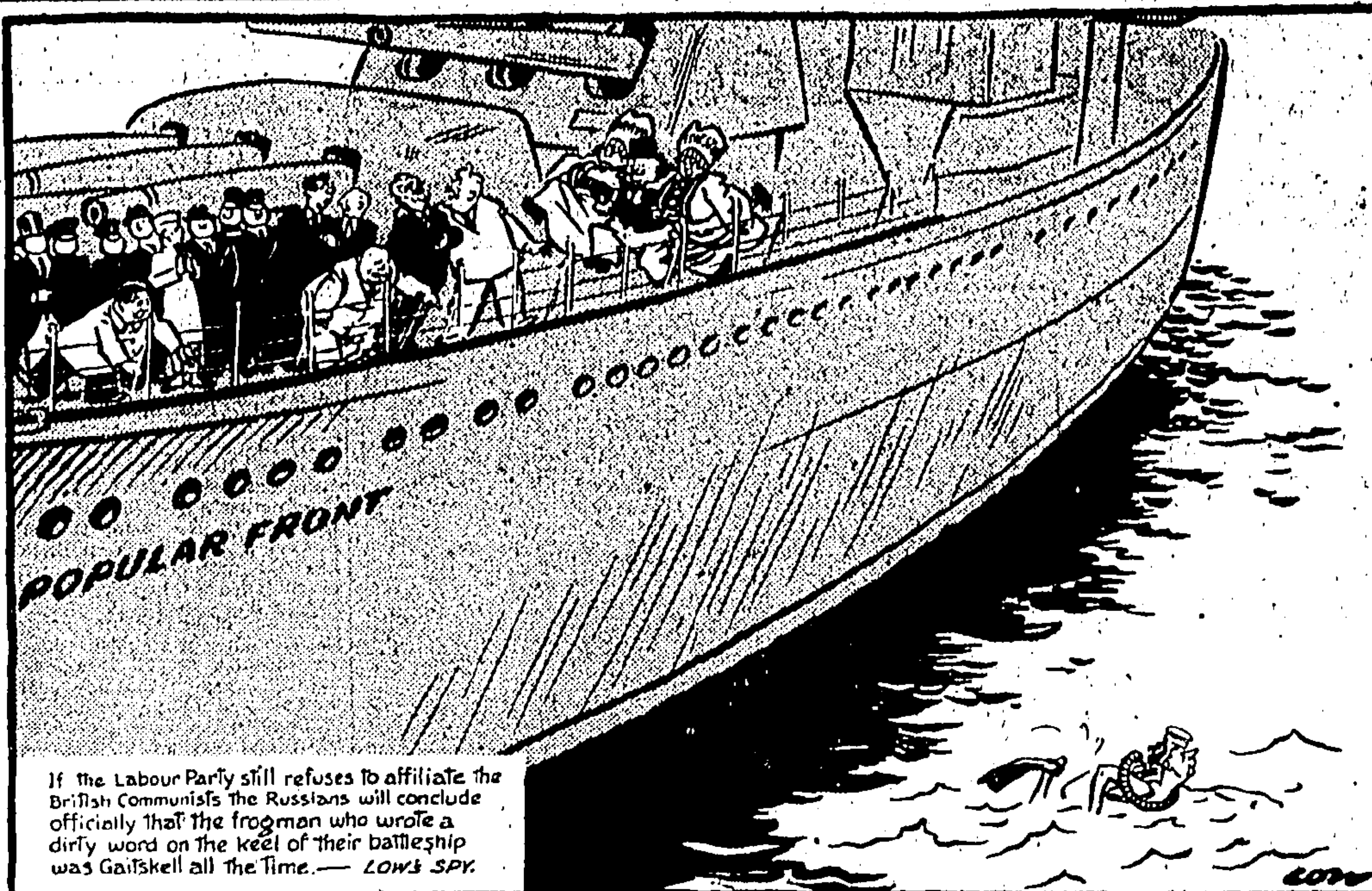
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If the Labour Party still refuses to affiliate the British Communists the Russians will conclude officially that the frogman who wrote a dirty word on the keel of their battleship was Gaitskell all the time. — **LOW'S SPY**

## FROGMAN SENSATION.—LATEST

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## CANNES... A LAST LOOK AROUND

# THE DEADPAN MOGUL LOSES £10,000 WITHOUT A FLICKER

by THOMAS  
WISEMAN

SOMEbody once said that there were two great thrills of life. The first to win at gambling. The second to lose at gambling. If there is any truth in this saying I can state authoritatively that there were at least some people at the Cannes film festival who had a thrilling time.

For if it is difficult to win at the Casino, losing is fairly easy—and a thrill that is within the reach of everyone.

Oh this basis, Hollywood film mogul Darryl F. Zanuck was having more thrills than anyone else at Cannes. Every night you could see him at the Casino, an example of deadpan acting at its best, staking a million francs (£1,000) on the draw of a card.

Next to him, his constant companion, actress Bella Darvi, diamonds sparkling on her fingers, a man's stole draped over bare shoulders, was also getting a few kicks as she placed her £500 counters as if distributing table mals.

You could hear a diamond pin drop as he looked at his cards; but only the spectators were guilty of such bad form as a show of emotion. Next to him actress Bella Darvi played her ace as regally as if she were playing a Queen.

To see someone losing several thousand pounds in a couple of seconds without blinking an eyelid is to come to the conclusion that money is a much overrated commodity. Show-happening, I remember, was never played with such unconcern.

### In beach shorts

THE following day, having lost 600 francs at roulette without managing to squeeze a single thrill out of it, I rang the man who finds it so entertaining to lose £10,000.

He was staying at Cap d'Antibes; we arranged to meet in Cannes for cocktails.

He arrived wearing beach shorts and a blue casual shirt, his bare feet shining into the pile of chairs.

This was Zanuck, the last of the Hollywood moguls, the man who makes stars as other men make shadows on walls. You notice immediately about this man that he is very small with out shoes five feet five. I would say that he is preoccupied. And that he is in a hurry—even when he is on holiday.

He had no sooner sat down and asked for a drink than he thought of something and asked the waiter to get him Los Angeles on the tele-

phone. His eyes are like secret drawers: full of coded messages. Why had he come to Europe and resigned as production chief of 20th Century-Fox Studios?

"I wanted to make pictures. I had become a business administrator. Then there was the tax matter." (A salaried man pays three times as much tax as a producer taking a percentage.) "Power? I guess I don't know what it feels like. I've always had it as far as I can remember." (At 24 he was head of Warner Bros. Studios and responsible for making stars like Edward G. Robinson, James Cagney.) He added: "As principal stockholder of Fox I think I shall still have enough of that, too."

"Didn't it give you some satisfaction being a man who could make stars?"

"Nobody can make stars. You can only make pictures. Sometimes if you're lucky and the pictures are good, they can make stars."

### Stories with themes

HIS interest in movies is obsessive and he is interested in stories with themes. It would be true to say of him that to make a film that makes money

is only more thrilling than to make one that loses money. The film he has planned now—to be made in Europe—is of Ernest Hemingway's first novel, "Fiesta."

A subject of this kind is almost as much of a gamble as baccarat, and one feels that it holds for Zanuck the same sort of fascination.

"Fiesta" is the story of a man sexually incapacitated by a war wound.

There would be many easier books to film. Zanuck is going to make "Fiesta." And the basic situation will not be altered.

"The Johnson Office have become more liberal. I think they will pass it. I think we will even get it by the Legion of Decency."

But everything has to hang on the American legal struggle is going on to stop Zanuck from giving up his executive job as production chief of the studios.

"It will take about 45 days until it is resolved. But I shall make the picture—either in bare feet and beach shorts, or in a studio or as an independent producer."

It was eight o'clock; while the bar was filling up with smartly dressed women in evening gowns and men in dinner suits, Zanuck was still in bare feet and beach shorts.

Later that night he was to be found at the baccarat table. Wearing shoes by now. He won 10 million francs (£10,000) before breakfast.

Unexpected guest encountered by me at a party thrown by the Japanese: Peter Finch.

Finch plays an Australian soldier who is crucified by the Japanese in the film "A Town Like Alice."

This film was originally put forward as one of the British entries for the Festival. Then the Rank Organisation was asked to withdraw it as it was considered offensive to the Japanese who were also participating in the Festival.

But the film was shown—out of competition.

How did Finch come to be invited to the Japanese party? He told me: "Their diplomatic representative approached me and said they would be honoured if I would attend. Naturally, I accepted and said I was honoured too."

Some of the Japanese stars at Cannes saw the film when it was shown. Their reaction? They cried. They thought it was lovely.

### Art or commerce?

FAVRE Le Bret, who runs the Cannes Film Festival for the French Government, "When I run the Paris Opera I come under the Ministry of Art and Culture. But when I run the Film Festival we come under the Ministry of Commerce and Industries."

FOOTNOTE—My advice to the smart girl who wants to be discovered at next year's Cannes Film Festival: Forget about those water skiing lessons. Take up baccarat. Or chemin de fer. Or even roulette. All the producers are to be found at the tables, and judging from their Casino-tans none of them ever lies on a beach.

## HOW TO GET AN ANCESTOR...

From JAMES COOPER

NEW YORK. FULL-PAGE advertisements are being taken by the British Travel Association to tell Americans "How to find your great-great-great-great-grandfather in Britain."

After listing how Americans can trace their families from a village's oldest inhabitant to the College of Heralds—the advertisement suggests: "It will be a grand vacation project."

The asterisk is for the footnote: "If you don't have a British ancestor, why not invent one?"

ALARMED by the close of 60 TV stations in four years, a Federal Communications Commission questionnaire to hundreds still operating asks: "Can the Government be a sponsor?"

Small towns, stations cannot find anyone to back their programme. Advertisers plump for big shows, big names, and big networks.

lowest since 1952. Government forecasts a crop of 800 million bushels, 20,000,000 short of home and export needs.

CHANGING trend in this land of immigrants. Hubert Pomeroy, Federation of Rhodesia Industries president, is touring universities for 4,000 young American couples to settle in the new Central African Federation.

RITA HAYWORTH, usually calm, said in New York: "I am so excited." Why she is on her way to Trinidad for her first film in two and a half years.

CHOICE for 100 high school students who staged a street fight with eggs, tomatoes, and lettuce in Knoxville, Tennessee, appear in a juvenile court or clean up the street. They cleaned up the street.

TURNCOATS—Senator Estes Kefauver—remember his Dave Crockett hat in the 1952 campaign?—wore a discreet business suit and Adlai Stevenson, former apostle of moderation, a 10-gallon hat and a cowboy outfit when the two rivals for the Democratic

presidential nomination met in California.

OUTCOME of the death of six young Marines taken on a disciplinary march in South Carolina is a lightening of duties—for their sergeants.

An inquiry showed that they worked from dawn to dusk. So the training period is extended to give them more time to themselves and their uniforms will be dry-cleaned free.

RUNAWAY Elisa Ballista, 15-year-old daughter of President Fulgencio Ballista of Cuba, said she left her school in Pennsylvania and hitched a ride to New York with a classmate because "we were unhappy. Are they strict? We can't smoke or anything."

FULL star Franchot Tone signed a pact for Hollywood that let his two sons spend their summer holidays with him instead of week-ends only. As part of the agreement Tone increases their monthly support from \$250 to \$450 for the time they spend with their mother.

JEAN WALLACE, now married to Cornel Wallace,

## MR. GAITSKELL'S DILEMMA

By ROBERT J. EDWARDS

INSIDE a large Victorian house at Hampstead a dozen Socialist Parliamentary candidates met to discuss General Election tactics. Afterwards a poll was taken on how many of them wanted the Socialist Party to win. The answer: two. The remaining 10 were hoping for a Tory victory. They were frankly horrified at the idea of the country being handed over to the party leadership of the time. Since that incident a year ago new leaders have been elected. Though it may not have been altogether clean, there has been a sweep.

Yet I am sure that another poll conducted among the game Socialist disciples would produce a similar result. And the responsibility must rest upon the man who sought the leadership of the party, and was given it, Hugh Gaitskell.

Mr. Gaitskell has had five months in which to revive the fighting spirit of his movement. During this time the country has wrestled with a severe balance of payments crisis; the Bagdad Pact, the cornerstone of the Tory Middle Eastern policy, has become an impediment; and, despite Mr. Randolph Churchill's discovery of nuclear defences, NATO has crumbled.

### WEAPONS

Add to this the troubles over Cyprus, Jordan and automation, favour it all with the Tory Ministry of Defence, a Bevan. But it is Gaitskell whose fingers are on the trigger, and what has happened?

The Tories are stronger, and the Socialists have all the symptoms of rigor mortis. In their local election campaign, which resulted in a slight swing to the Left because of justifiable public anger over the cost of living, they showed less enthusiasm than is displayed by private soldiers on cookhouse fatigues.

I will tell Mr. Gaitskell why. The Socialist Party workers have been utterly dismayed by the series of blunders he has committed since against their wishes, he succeeded Attlee.

### DISASTER

A case can be made out that the Russian visit did not have the success naturally claimed by Eden and B. and K. But no such argument can be advanced by Mr. Gaitskell, for he has convinced the world that had he been in charge the talks might have ended in disaster.

What else are the voters to think of an aspiring Prime Minister who first fails to prevent the B. and K. dinner degenerating into a brawl (if he cannot control George Brown, why does he plan to make him Minister of Labour?), then raises the issue of the imprisoned social democrats at

the worst conceivable moment, and finally utters a series of purposeless insults about the Russian leaders between commercials on TV?

The electors are bound to feel that he is incapable of conducting delicate negotiations with the Russians and that Eden—who behaved politely but firmly throughout the talks—is a better bet for peace.

No wonder Socialist morale is at its lowest ebb. And this humiliation follows another fearful howler from Hugh. The Great Tanks Scandal could have been a fine issue for him—if most of the tanks had not been shipped out of the country when the Socialists ruled.

But Gaitskell plunged recklessly into this quagmire without checking his facts or consulting his more experienced colleagues.

Result: a red-faced withdrawal of a vote of censure that was supposed to have rocked the Tories, but which instead gave them comfort and joy.

### BLUNDER

Even Gaitskell's spectacular rise to power was due to a blunder. In his 1951 Budget he put 6d. on the income tax, raised the price of petrol, and doubled the purchase tax on a wide range of items, from motor cars to wireless and TV sets, refrigerators and vacuum cleaners.

This bleak Budget guaranteed Labour's defeat in the subsequent General Election—and to no purpose. For the Tories found Mr. Gaitskell's arms programme impossible to fulfil without wrecking the economy. The financial year ended with a colossal surplus.

In any other party this miserable fiasco would have entitled its author to a prolonged period of penance. Ask Mr. Butler. Instead, Gaitskell emerged from the dust and smoke of electoral ruin stronger than ever.

His Budget had done more than despatch his party into the wilderness. It had brought him into open warfare with Mr. Bevan.

All the anti-Bevanite forces rallied behind him, and the road to power suddenly lay clear and open, once his friend Herbert Morrison could be removed from the route.

### THE PRICE

But at what a price! By allying himself with one group against another, Mr. Gaitskell has become a faction leader not a party leader. Once a third of the party inside the House of Commons, and nine-tenths outside it, do not recognise his title.

I believe there are two solutions for him. 1.—To do what he failed to do with B. and K.—come to an accommodation with Mr. Bevan. He can do this, I imagine, by backing Bevan for treasurer, adopting a number of his key policies and appointing him Shadow Cabinet spokesman on foreign affairs, a post now ludicrously occupied by Mr. Alfred Roberts.

2.—Failing this, to resign—and make way for an uncommitted middle-of-the-road, as Lord Attlee was able to hold the party together over a long period.

After the blunders of recent weeks, I favour the second course.

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# INTER-COUNTY EVENTS STEAL THE SPOTLIGHT AT BRITISH GAMES

The international events at the British Games over the Whitson week-end at London's White City have in the past almost always held the public interest at the expense of the Inter-County Championships which are run in conjunction with them, but this year it proved the turn of the County Championships to produce the best races.

Last year, for instance, three men beat four minutes for the mile in the international race. This year the White City crowd saw Ken Wood outrun the Hungarian world record holder, Tabori, in the 1,500 metres, but the Inter-County races were even more interesting.

The standard for the first big meeting of the British season was exceptionally high and put into the shade all previous performances at the same Championships.

There were so many fast times and good finishes that it is difficult to pick out any of the inter-county races as the very highlight of the meeting. Perhaps the six miles was the best race. This was won by Frank Sande of Kent in 28 minutes 24 seconds, only 3.0 seconds off Gordon Pirie's British record, from AAA Championship Ken Norris of Middlesex (29:20.0).

Hugh Ford of Sussex was third in 28:31.4. J. E. Nichols of Yorkshire fourth in 29:30.8. Dennis O'Gorman of Herts fifth in 29:36 and Empire Games Champion Peter Driver of Surrey sixth in 29:44.8.

Sande led in only the first, 10th and 23rd laps and for the rest of the way was content to tuck in snugly behind whoever was leading, Ford or Norris.

Derek Ibbotson of Yorkshire retained his three miles title in 15 minutes 48 seconds, some six seconds behind Chris Chataway's British record, with George Knight of Essex second in 15:54.4.

Michael Maynard of Surrey third in 15:57.2, Eddie Hardy of Derbyshire fourth in 16 minutes, B. Heatley of Warwickshire, a newcomer to the front rank, fifth in 16:04 and S. E. Eldon of Berkshire sixth in 16:08.

## BOYD TAKES MILE

The mile went to Ian Boyd of Surrey in 4:08 with Alan Gordon of Derbyshire second in 4:08.8 and Martin Walmesley of Cheshire third in 4:09.2.

These three were followed by three newcomers to international class—John Thorpe of Herts in 4:10.6, J. J. McDonald of Gloucestershire in 4:10.8 and M. Ruckhous of Staffordshire in 4:11.8. John Cameron of Middlesex, who had run 4:10.4 in a heat, was unplaced.

The 800 Yards saw Michael Rawson of Warwickshire register his second major victory of the season—his first was against Derek Johnson in the AAA v. Oxford match—when he defeated Brian Hewson, with Johnson one of the world's leading half milers last season, with 1:51.0 to 1:51.7.

Michael Farrell of Staffordshire was third in 1:52.0, Paul Abrahams of Surrey, running in his first important 800 race, fourth in 1:52.6. Michael Blagrove of Middlesex fifth in the same time and Derek Lovelady of Lancashire sixth in 1:54.0. Lovelady had been a heat winner in 1:53.1.

## NATIVE RECORD

The Quarter Mile final saw an English native record set as Peter Higgins of Northumberland and Durham won in 47.5 seconds, amazingly fast time for such an early stage of the English season.

Most encouraging for British quarter miling, which had hit a poor patch in recent years, were the place performances in this race as Michael Wheeler of Hampshire was second in 47.9, John Salisbury of Warwickshire third in 48.4, J. F. Groves of Surrey fourth in the same time and John Wright of Herts fifth in 48.9.

The sprint was only slightly better than normal for May, Michael Ruddy of Kent winning the 100 Yards from Ken Box of Lancashire, both being timed in 9.9.

## NOTICE

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Notice to Members  
Australian Subscription  
Ponies 1957

The Stewards have ordered a batch of 100 Australian Subscription Ponies to race in 1957 and they now invite Members to subscribe for them.

Application forms may be obtained from the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House, 8th Floor.

The Subscription List will close at NOON on Thursday, 31st, May, 1956.

By Order of the Stewards,  
A. E. ARNOLD,  
Secretary.

The 220 went to veteran Brian Shenton of Kent in 22.1 from David Segal of Middlesex and J. Speed of Essex, the second and third also clocking 22.1 in a blanket finish.

Best of the Hurdles races was the 440 Hurdles won by Tom Farrell of Lancashire in 52.9 seconds—his fastest ever. International Harry Kane of Middlesex, who once pushed Yuriy Lituyev of Russia to a new world record, was second in 54.4—far behind Farrell. Peter Hildreth of Beds and Hunts was third in 55.0 and the other finalists' times were mediocre.

Bob Shaw of Wales, Oxford University and Lancashire, gave notice that he was bidding for the title of Britain's first steeplechase hurdler as he outran Jack Parker of Surrey and Hildreth in 15.1 seconds to win the Inter-County race.

Two days earlier he had also finished ahead of Parker and Hildreth in the international 110 Metres Hurdles race, but had finished behind Eamon Kinsella of Eire and Stanko Loryer of Yugoslavia. Kinsella and Loryer had clocked 14.5 seconds, Shaw and Parker 14.7.

## AS ALWAYS

Field events performances were mediocre in comparison with the track performances. This was rather surprising after the many good marks achieved at earlier meetings this season and seems to bear out the fact that there is something wrong with the field events set-up at the White City, always notorious for refusing long jumpers distances over 24 feet and high jumpers heights over 6 feet 5 inches.

The only piece of good news emerging from the field section of the competition was the return to form of Ken Wilmschurst of Surrey who cleared 48 feet 3 inches to take the Hop, Step and Jump and doubled with a 23 feet 2 inches victory in the long jump. Double Empire Games Champion Wilmschurst had long been nursing a series of injuries and only a few weeks ago wasn't quite certain whether or not to pack up athletics for good.

But with the good fields in these two events, our performances were mediocre. Several jumpers have gone over 23 feet in earlier meetings of the current season. Arthur Gruttenberg of Sussex has been near 24 feet, but could do no better at the White City than clear 22 feet 7 inches for second place. Peter Whaley of Dorset, D. E. Luke of Berks were third and fourth, also at 22.7.

The High Jump went at a very mediocre 6 feet 1 inch to Charles Van Dyck of the Gold Coast and Middlesex—the only man over six feet.

George Broad of Surrey won the Pole Vault at exactly 12 feet from British record-holder Geoffrey Elliott of Essex and A. B. Hopkins of Middlesex who cleared the same height. The British record-holder in the Javelin Throw, Peter Cullen of Yorkshire won his specialty at 212 feet 4 inches in an Inter-County Championships record. Cullen also sprang a surprise as he finished runner-up to Wilmschurst in the Hop, Step and Jump with 46 feet 3 inches to push back Nigerian Paul Eango, 49-footers in this event, to, third place at 46.1.

Though still well behind the standards of most other European countries, the trend of improvement in the Shot Put this season was quite evident. Mark Pharoah of Lancashire and Gerald Carr of Essex were first and second at 47 feet 3 inches and A. Rowe of Yorkshire third at 46.7. Several of Britain's best shot putters were not competing and in the circumstances 43 feet 10 inches for sixth place was a good mark.

Mark Pharoah won the Discus Throw with 156 feet 7 inches—his worst throw in major competition in two seasons, but Gerald Carr in second place retained recent form with 155 feet 6 inches and looks likely to become the second British thrower over 100 feet.

Don Anthony of Herts won the Hammer Throw at 109 feet 11 inches—a Championship record but well below his best.

## INTERNATIONAL

Highlight of the international races from the home crowd's point of view was Ken Woods (Victory) beating the Hungarian in the 1,500 metres. Woods is a last lap in well under 55 seconds.

Wood won in 3:43.3 from Rozsavolgyi (3:43.8) and Tabori (3:44.0). Gordon Pirie was fourth in 3:46.2, Klaus Richtzenhain of East Germany, fifth in 3:46.6 and steeplechaser Eric Shirley sixth in a remarkably fast performance for him of 3:47.0.

Wood overhauled six men in the last 230 yards of this race. Internationally more interesting were the good performances in the 3,000 Metres race as Sandor Iharos of Hungary won in 8:02.8 from Hungarian steeplechaser Sandor Rozsavolgyi (8:05.0) and Yugoslavian Veljko Mijovic (8:05.4). It is very seldom that 8:10 is beaten in this race.

Brian Hewson lost the International 800 Metres to world record-holder Roger Moens of Belgium with 1:49.8 to 1:49.7. European Champion Lajos Szencelt of Hungary was third in 1:51.2, three British runners turning in good times as Donald Gorrie clocked 1:52.0, J. E. Davis 1:52.3 and Jack Beasley 1:52.5.

Moens won the International 400 Metres from Michael Wheeler (47.9 to 48.0) as the others European runners invited failed in very slow time. Even the Hong Kong Champion would not have been disgraced in this race.

Ira Murchison of the United States Army beat Manfred Stiebach of East Germany 21.5 to 21.6 in one of the International 200 Metres races and Michael Ruddy took the other in a slow 22.0. Brian Shenton, third in 21.8 in the first race, still looks the best of Britain's sprinting numbers.

The two International 100 Metres races were amazingly poor except for Murchison's victory in 10.8 in the first. No one else was faster than 11.1 seconds. Surrey won the County Championships with 84 points from Middlesex, 61 Lancashire, 60 Essex, 57 Yorkshire, 49, and Kent, 45.

## BASEBALL

### New York Yankees Score 11-4 Win Over Detroit Tigers

New York, May 24.

Mickey Mantle today lined his 17th home run of the season and added four singles to boost his League-leading batting average to .477 and lead the New York Yankees to an 11-4 victory over the Detroit Tigers.

Mantle hit safely off each of the five Tiger pitchers, driving in three runs and scoring three times himself. The only time he failed to hit in six trips to the plate was in the seventh, when it was purposely passed.

In all, the Yankees got 17 hits, including four home runs. One homer came with the bases loaded by Eddie Robinson. It was the Majors' only day game.

The Tigers took a short-lived 1-0 lead in the first inning off starter Bob Turley, when Harvey Kuenn walked, stole two bases and scored on a sacrifice fly. But Mantle and Joe Collins then tagged Detroit starter Duke Mader for back-to-back homers, both with the bases empty, in the second.

## Exhibition Tennis

By Indian Davis

Cup Players  
On May 30 & 31

India's Davis Cup players, Ramesh Krishnan and Narayn Kumar, fresh from their 3-2 triumph over Japan in the Davis Cup Eastern Zone Final in Japan, will play exhibition matches on May 30 and 31 at the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association this morning.

The following is the programme arranged by the HKLTA:

Wednesday, May 30  
Singles: 4.30 p.m.: N. Kumar v. Ip Koon-hung; R. Krishnan v. Edwin Tai.  
Double: Krishnan and Kumar v. Tai/Wal-pui and N. Lo.

Thursday, May 31  
Singles: 4.30 p.m.: N. Kumar v. Edwin Tai; R. Krishnan v. Ip Koon-hung.  
Double: Kumar and Krishnan v. Ip Koon-hung and Edwin Tai.

## SPORTING SAM

By Reg. Wootton



### Lancashire 109 For Two Against Australians At Old Trafford

Rain restricted play on the second day of the Lancashire-Australian match at Old Trafford today to the last two hours and in that time the County brought their overnight score of eight for nought to 109 for the loss of two wickets. At the close they led by 57 runs, Australia having gained a first innings lead of 52 yesterday.

## COUNTY CRICKET

### Essex Scores Easy Win But Graveney Was Personality Of Match

London, May 24.

Tom Graveney, Gloucestershire's stylish test batsman, scored a brilliant century for his County against Essex today and followed it up with a second innings of 67. But the rest of the Gloucestershire batsmen could muster only 93 runs between them in two innings, and Essex scored an easy victory.

Roy Ralph, Essex amateur pace bowler, took seven second innings wickets for 42, his best performance, and had match figures of ten for 76, but Graveney was the personality of the match. While the rest of the Gloucestershire batsmen were floundering against the Essex bowling, he made it look supremely easy by his glorious stroke play.

Cracking the field wide open in his first innings, he scored 100 with delicate wristy shots and powerful drives, hitting 17 fours in his stay of two hours. His 67 in the second innings was scored out of 97 in 95 minutes, with the aid of eleven fours.

Ralph attacked the off stump regularly and bettered his previous best performance of less than a week ago—seven for 77 against Worcestershire in Essex's last match. Rain interfered with all the other first-class matches, but

## MENACING RING

Derek Shackleton of Hampshire, bowling his fast medium deliveries to a menacing ring of five close fielders, took five Somerset first innings wickets for 47 and followed this up by claiming three second innings wickets. Alan Moss, another fast medium bowler, had six wickets for 71 for Middlesex against Derbyshire.

Peter Richardson, possible England Test opener, scored a chanceless century for Worcestershire, hitting two sixes and ten fours in making 105 off the Northamptonshire bowling. Sussex batsman Jim Parks beat the clock in scoring 155 for the MCC in their drawn match against the Club Cricket Conference at Lords. Hitting one six and 19 fours, he got the runs in 160 minutes.

## CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

At Northampton: Northamptonshire 319 for nine declared. Worcestershire 205 for five. (Peter Richardson 105). Rain curtailed play.

At Leicesters: Surrey 238 and 41 for no wicket. Leicestershire 211 (Jackson 60). Rain curtailed play.

At Birmingham: Yorkshire 284. Warwickshire 108. (Warwick left-arm slow four for 25 and 16 for no wicket). Rain restricted play.

At Chesterfield: Middlesex 408 for four declared. Derbyshire 150. (Moss right-arm fast medium six for 71 and 109 for four. (Lee not out 64). Rain restricted play.

At Taunton: Hampshire 369. Somerset 120. (Shackleton right-arm fast medium five for 47 and 90 for four). Rain restricted play.

At Swansea: Glamorgan 353 for nine declared. Kent 130. (Shepherd right-arm fast medium five for 74 and 68 for five. Rain delayed start—Reuter.)

The match is therefore still in a very interesting state, particularly if the sun tomorrow gets to work. Then the Australians, who have yet to prove themselves comfortable against a turning ball, could be in difficulties in their second innings.

Today Lancashire made good use of a pitch made much easier than yesterday by the rain and Alan Wharton, who batted throughout the period of play, has so far hit one six and ten fours in his 71 not out.

## PACE BOWLERS

The Australians were a little embarrassed by the wealth of pace bowlers and perhaps the lack of an effective spinner who might have revelled in the conditions.

Alan Davidson alternated with pace and spin and even Keith Miller took a hand in the attack for the first time on the tour towards the close of play.

Spinner Wilson was taken off after conceding 20 runs in two overs, twelve of them in one when Wharton sent him for six and a four.

Dyson was at fault in playing outside his leg stump to give the wicketkeeper a catch at nine but then Wharton and Edrich, after a slow start, began to hit out. Wharton completed the first 50 of the match and the second wicket pair put on 79 before Edrich was caught off a slider.

Then Wharton dominated play until the close, by which time Washbrook had scored only a single.

## CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

Lancashire Second Innings  
Wharton not out ..... 71  
Dyson, c. Maddocks, b. Lind- 8  
Edrich, c. Lindwall, b. Archer 29  
Washbrook not out ..... 1  
Extras ..... 5  
Total (2 wickets) ..... 109  
Wickets fell at: nine and 88

## Bowling To Date

	O	M	R	W
Lindwall	7	3	13	1
Davidson	12	4	30	0
Crawford	5	0	27	0
Archer	8	3	20	1
Wilson	3	0	20	0
Miller	3	0	4	0

Extras five legbyes.—Reuter.

### Pascual Perez To Fight Cuban In June

Buenos Aires, May 24.

Pascual Perez, the Argentine's World Flyweight Boxing Champion, will stage a fight against Oscar Suarez of Cuba in Montevideo at the end of June. Luzaro Koel, Perez's manager, told an AFP correspondent in Buenos Aires that he had accepted the conditions set by the Cuban boxer's manager.

Koel said that negotiations for a title fight between Perez and Danny Kid of the Philippines, which he had opened with Kid's manager, Lopez Sorrell, had broken down after Danny Kid's defeat by Memo Diaz of Mexico. The Kid-Perez fight was to have taken place in San Francisco.

Koel, who is in hospital recovering from a serious automobile accident, said Perez did not wish to fight far from Buenos Aires while his manager was confined to bed.—France-Press.

## FRENCH TENNIS TOURNAMENT

### LEW HOAD & DAVIDSON TO MEET IN MEN'S SINGLES FINAL

Paris, May 24.

Australian Champion Lew Hoad and Sweden's Sven Davidson, leading player in Europe, today qualified to meet in the Men's Singles final of the French Lawn Tennis Championships on Saturday.

In today's semi-finals, Hoad took one hour 25 minutes to overcome the rhythmic stroking of Giuseppe Merlo, of Italy, by 6-4, 7-5, 6-4. Davidson reached the final for the second successive year by defeating 19-year-old Ashley Cooper, Australian Hard Courts Champion, 6-2, 9-7, 5-7, 6-3 in a match which stamped the Australian as a player with potentialities.

Finalists in the Women's Singles will be Britain's Miss Angela Mortimer, the holder,

and Miss Athina Gibson, of the United States.

Miss Mortimer recaptured peak form today to beat Mrs Suzy Kormoczi of Hungary 6-4, 6-3 in a match which produced terms worthy of the world's two leading players on a hard court surface. She thus avenged last year's Wimbledon defeat by the little Hungarian brunette.

Miss Gibson won a fluctuating semi-final match against her British doubles partner, Miss Angela Buxton, by 2-6, 6-0, 6-4. Play seldom reached the high standards set by the earlier match.

## STORMY TIME

Hoad, who had a rather stormy time from the crowd in his quarter-final last Monday, again came in for mild barracking today. This undoubtedly upset his concentration and made his task more difficult than it should have been.

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## PROMINENT HK GOLFER...

### Mackie Placed Third Out Of 20 Amateurs

News has been received that J.D. Mackie, the prominent Hongkong golfer, had an 81 in the second of the Penfold and Swallow—24,000 tournament and thus aggregated 102 for the two rounds.

This was not good enough to allow him to qualify for the final two rounds of the tourney, but he had the satisfaction of being placed third out of the 20 amateur golfers competing in a tournament dominated by some of Britain's leading professionals.

He went round the course on the second day with famous Mox Fullmer, and in consequence had a huge crowd following the game.

Mackie competes in the British Amateur Open at Troon on May 28, and will in July compete in the Scottish Amateur Championship.

### Singapore Athlete To Run For British Empire Relay Team

London, May 24.  
The Singapore athlete, Tan Eng-yoon, at present undergoing a course at Loughborough Sports College, Leicestershire, has been chosen to run for a British Empire team against an Amateur Athletic Association team in an invitation four by 100 yards relay race at the White City, London, on May 30. The Empire team is completed by T. Ertine of Nigeria, C. N. Gibbs of Trinidad and I. Mayers of British Guiana.—France-Press.

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# RUSSIANS MAKE A WHITE ELEPHANT Export Waterway Offered Back To Finns For Hire

Helsinki, May 24.

A Soviet offer to hire back to the Finns  
their big prewar timber export waterway,  
now in Russian hands, has been described  
by an expert committee here as a bad  
business proposition.

The waterway is the long  
canal, linking Finland's Salma  
lake network with the Soviet  
port of Vimpur. As the Salma  
Lakes are collecting areas for  
timber from Finland's prolific  
eastern forests, the Salma  
canal was their biggest single  
wood export route before World  
War II.

Under the 1940 Peace Treaty  
between Finland and the Soviet  
Union, Vimpur, at that time  
Finland's second largest city,  
was ceded to Russia. Along  
with it went the 18½-mile  
southern section of the canal,  
leaving about 16 miles in the  
northern sector in Finnish  
hands.

## PLEAS REFUSED

Cut in two, the canal was of  
no use either to the Finns or  
to the Russians. For the lum-  
berjacks and forest owners of  
the Salma lake network, the  
severance of the waterway was  
a catastrophe. Their timber  
exports were blocked.

New routes had to be built at  
a time when Finland's resources  
were depleted by the cost of  
12 per cent of her total land  
area to the Soviet Union.

Finland pressed the Russians  
repeatedly for transit rights  
over the canal, but Moscow re-  
fused all their pleas. So Fin-  
land's forest owners, timber  
exporters and local councils put  
their heads together and, with  
State aid, opened alternative  
routes.

The Salma canal and Vimpur  
became sentimental national  
memories, but were no longer  
vital to Finland's  
economy.

Unused, the canal rotted. Its  
barges lay waterlogged and  
derelict. Then, in 1953, the  
Soviet Minister in Helsinki told  
the Finns that his government  
had changed its mind. Moscow  
was willing to grant Finland  
transit rights over Salma and  
Vimpur under certain conditions.  
The Finns investigated these  
and found them to be unaccept-  
able. The matter remained in  
abeyance and the canal con-  
tinued to rot.

## BILL TO FINLAND

The question was opened  
again by Moscow at the end of  
last year, when she decided to  
give up her naval base at  
Porkkala outside Helsinki. She  
held out the promise of ac-  
ceptable terms this time, and  
the Finns sent a new committee  
of experts to ascertain details  
and to survey the canal.

They have been disappointed.  
Their report said that it would  
cost about 9,000,000,000 marks  
to repair the canal and that the  
Soviet Union expects Finland to  
foot the bill.

The final figure would, how-  
ever, probably be higher be-  
cause new barges and other  
vessels suitable for Baltic and  
North Sea traffic would have  
to be built, and the cost of these  
might be prohibitive.

Moreover, the alternative ex-  
port routes running via Kotka  
and other south Finnish ports  
are working reasonably well,  
although exporters are con-  
tinually pressing for improve-  
ments. The Finns must now  
balance the cost of these im-  
provements against the cost of  
using the canal and Vimpur  
again.

One big improvement needed  
is a direct railway line from  
Lappeenranta, near the northern  
end of the Salma canal, to  
Hamina and Kotka, the two  
Gulf of Finland ports which  
handle much of the export  
trade from Finland passing through  
Vimpur. This new district line  
would eliminate the bottleneck  
at the Kouvolu junction, through  
which the line to Russia runs.

Transports from Lappeenranta  
to the Gulf of Finland have  
increased from about 447,000  
tons in 1946 to about 700,000  
tons last year. This big

export route is therefore over-  
burdened.

The volume of traffic from  
the whole of the south Salma  
lake network is expected to grow  
as sawmills, pulp factories, and  
other plants there expand,  
cutting for the transport to  
them of coal, chemicals and  
other materials, either from  
abroad or from other parts of  
Finland.

The importance of the Salma  
area in Finland's economy is  
shown by the fact that its ex-  
ports of sulphate cellulose re-  
present 25 per cent of Finland's  
total production of this com-  
modity. The corresponding  
figures for sulphite cellulose are  
twelve per cent and for veneers  
eight per cent.

Although the committee's  
survey would show the exten-  
sive and improvements to the  
new export routes to be better  
business than hiring back the  
Salma Canal, the Finns may  
feel some slight embarrassment  
in telling the Soviet Govern-  
ment this.

## BASED ON ECONOMICS

The Russians, by withdrawing  
from the Porkkala base and by  
accepting Finland's entry into  
the Nordic Council, can cite her  
as an example of their new  
"co-existence" policy. Finnish  
timber floating along the  
Salma canal would be another  
useful subject for neutralist  
Scandinavian politicians to talk  
and write about.

But the hard headed Finns  
will certainly base their de-  
cision on economics rather than  
politics.—China Mail Special.



## Tanganyikans In Britain

## Government Appointments

The following appointments  
have been approved by His Ex-  
cellency the Governor, the  
Government Gazette announced  
this morning:

Mr A. E. Claassen, Structural  
Engineer, Public Works Depart-  
ment, to be Senior Structural  
Engineer; Mr T. Kavanagh,  
Inspector of Police, to be As-  
sistant Superintendent of Police;  
Mr R. A. J. Richardson, Mr  
C. L. Scobell and Mr P. F.  
Godber, Sup-Inspectors of Police  
to be Assistant Superintendents  
of Police; Mr H. Chakelien,  
Senior Male Nurse (Mental  
Hospital), to be Acting Deputy  
Chief Male Nurse (Mental  
Hospital); Mr W. F. Watson,  
Commissioner of Inland Revenue,  
resumed duty on return from  
leave; Mr P. D. A. Childell,  
Assistant Commissioner of In-  
land Revenue, ceased to act as  
Commissioner of Inland Re-  
venue; Mr N. F. Fahy, Chief  
Assessor, ceased to act as As-  
sistant Commissioner of Inland  
Revenue; Mr A. D. Duffy, As-  
sessor, ceased to act as Chief As-  
sessor.

A party of seven chiefs  
from Tanganyika arrived at  
London Airport last week for  
an eight-week tour of Britain  
to study the national way of  
life. The tour is under the  
auspices of the British Coun-  
cil. The chiefs are pictured  
following their arrival at the  
Airport. Back row, are: Chief  
Dawid Rugomora, left, and  
Chief Nteor Lutinwa; centre:  
Deputy Chief Noel Baroni,  
left, and Chief Abdul Shan-  
gali; front row, from left,  
Sheikh Hamid Ali, Chief  
Ntundu Gilbert Nkunganitwa  
Lyoto and Chief Abdurrah-  
man Gwao.—Express Photo.

## Mail Notices

The latest times of posting  
shown below are those for un-  
registered correspondence posted  
at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest  
posting times elsewhere which  
in general are earlier than the  
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ing parcel mails can be ascer-  
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East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe,  
6 p.m.  
Japan, 6 p.m.  
By Surface  
Philippines, N. Borneo, Rabaul,  
Australia, New Zealand, 4 p.m.  
Indonesia, 4 p.m.  
Macao, 6 p.m.  
SATURDAY, MAY 26  
By Air  
Peking, Shanghai, Hankow, Kun-  
ming, 10 a.m.

# NEW EFFORT TO SOLVE WORLD WAR II RIDDLE

By Horace Castell

Rome, May 24.

The Italian Government is making a new  
effort to solve one of the most major riddles of  
World War II—the disappearance of 65,000 men  
in Russia after the great Battle of the Don early  
in 1943.

The Italian Army in Russia,  
known as Army, numbered  
220,000 men on the eve of the  
battle.

When the smoke cleared  
away a week later, the Italians  
counted their losses—10,000 men  
had been killed and 80,000 were  
missing.

Some days later, Moscow  
Radio claimed that 100,000  
Italians were captured in the  
battle. Making allowances for a  
propaganda margin in the  
Russian claim, the Italians as-  
sumed that their 80,000 missing  
had fallen into Russian hands.

## What Happened

At the end of the war, 10,000  
Italian prisoners of war were  
returned by the Russians, who  
declared that there were no  
more Italians in Soviet prison-  
ers of war camps. The question  
immediately asked by thousands  
of grief-stricken families in  
Italy was: What happened to the  
other 65,000?

The Russians have never  
volunteered any information.  
Their reply to Italian demands  
for a statement on the fate of  
the 65,000 has always been:  
"Give us a list of their names  
and we will make enquiries."

Now, 13 years after the  
battle, the Italians are pain-  
stakingly drawing up the list.  
In the past two months, two  
lists, totalling 700 names, have  
been handed to the Russian  
Ambassador in Rome, Mr  
Alexander Bogomoiov. More  
will follow.

They are meticulous docu-  
ments, comprising photostat  
copies of testimony of returned  
Italian and German prisoners  
of war and postcards received  
from captured Italians. The  
evidence proves that the men  
were alive between 1943 and  
1945, but since then there has  
been no news of them.

These lists, published in the  
Italian Press, have given new  
hope to the families of the  
missing men. But it is only a  
faint hope. The Italian Govern-  
ment frankly admits that prob-  
ably only a small percentage of  
the 65,000 are alive today.

Unspecified epidemics in  
Soviet prisoner of war camps  
killed in 1943 killed off thousands  
of prisoners of various national-  
ities, including Italians. Many  
more must have died later of  
cold and privation. Accustomed  
to the comparatively warm and  
easy life of Italian soldiers, they  
suffered terribly from the cold in  
Russia.

But Italians insist that they  
want to know what happened to  
their men.

Even the list of 700 handed  
to the Russian authorities re-  
cently is underlined by pessimism.  
Italians fear that some, if  
not most, of these men are no  
longer alive. The principal aim  
of the list, however, is to force  
the Russians to carry out their  
promise of a thorough enquiry  
into the disappearance of the  
Army soldiers.

The Italians hope that one of  
the things which such an en-  
quiry would accomplish would  
be to find out whether, as is  
believed by several hundred thou-  
sand Italian prisoners of war have  
married and settled down in  
Russia.

A good part of the families  
of the 65,000 missing men re-  
fuse to give up hope that their  
men are alive.

## Fake Mediums

Since the war, Italian  
fortune-tellers have made large  
sums of money out of their  
families by predicting that their  
men are alive and will soon re-  
turn. One mother whom I know  
personally regularly attended  
spiritualist seances until the eve  
of her death two years ago.  
She fearfully called her son  
through the medium—and  
prayed that he would not  
answer. How much money she  
put into the pockets of fake  
mediums is anyone's guess.

A year ago, when a group of  
34 Italian soldiers and 100  
male accused of war crimes  
were granted an amnesty by  
the Russians and returned to  
Italy, they were hounded, for  
weeks by families pleading for  
news. They had none.

The most recent news was  
anything but heartening. Signor  
Luigi Meda, the Italian delegate  
on the United Nations Commis-  
sion for War Prisoners, inter-  
viewed a number of German  
prisoners of war who returned  
from Russian camps some  
months ago.

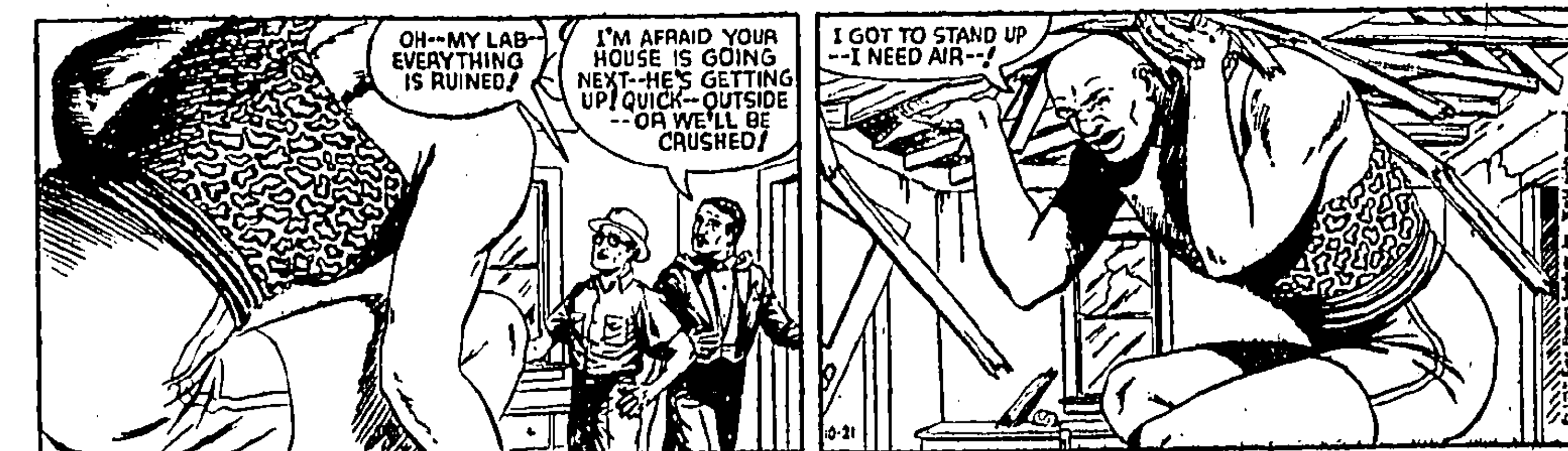
"The material we gathered  
was slim," he told reporters  
afterwards. "But we learnt that  
in Siberia and beyond the Urals,  
there are labour camps where  
so-called ex-prisoners are  
made to work. The Soviet authorities  
deny the existence of these  
camps but the Germans swore  
that the camps existed. Among  
the 'ex-prisoners' are many  
Italians."

## Dedication

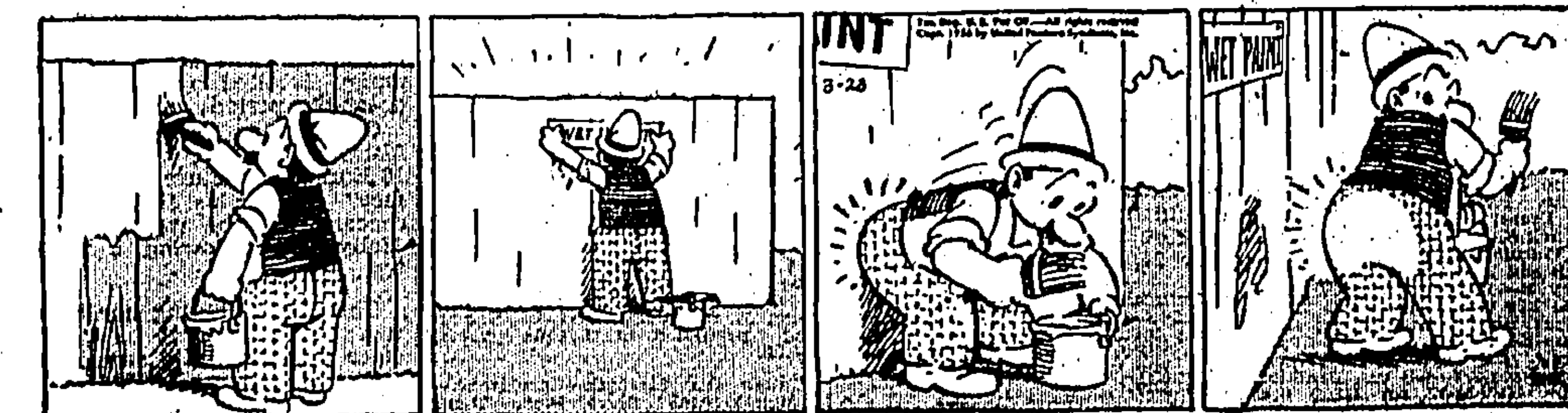
Meanwhile, the Italian As-  
sociation of Families of Men  
Lost in Russia has asked the  
Soviet authorities to send to  
Italy the remains of at least one  
Italian who died in a Russian  
prisoner of war camp. These  
will be buried in a sanctuary  
built recently at Carpiacchio, in  
northern Italy, and dedicated  
to the Italian Soldier in Russia,  
dead or alive.—China Mail  
Special.

## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



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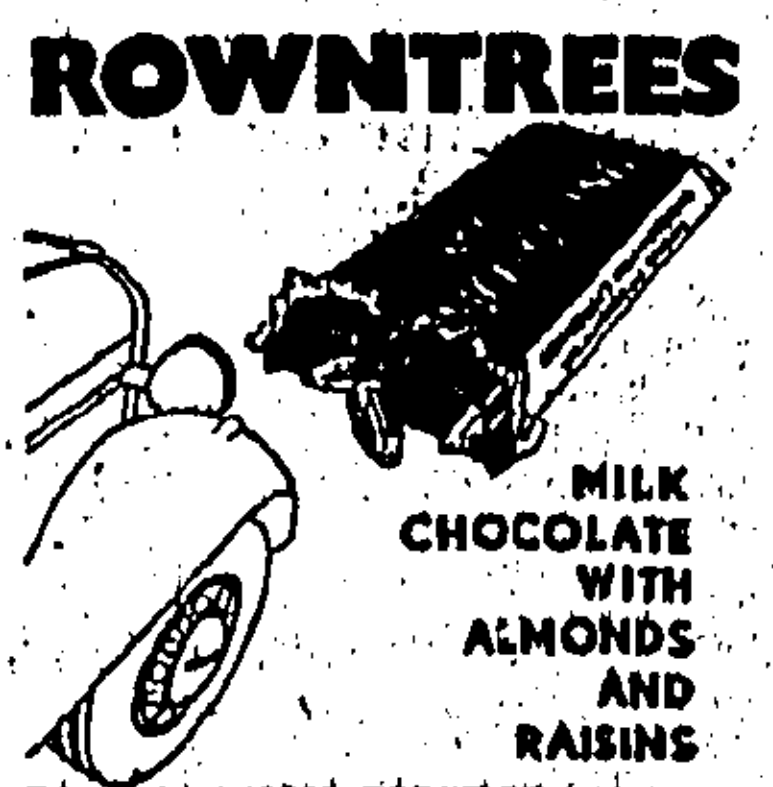
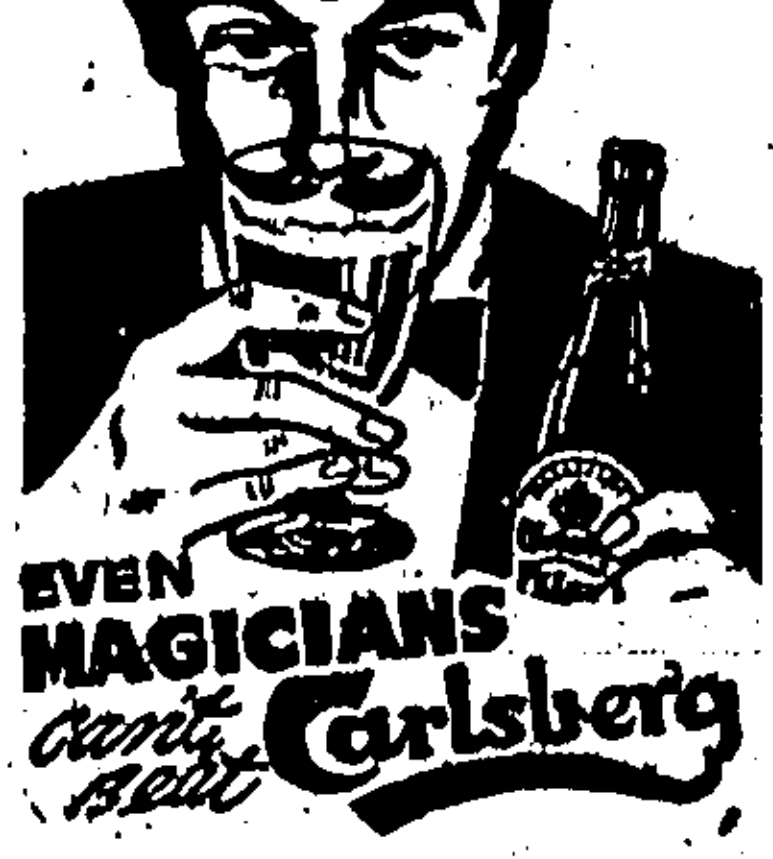


## JOHNNY HAZARD



By Ernie Bushmiller

By Frank Robbins



## Reservoirs Gain

The Water Authority an-  
nounces that total storage in the  
Colony's reservoirs at 8 o'clock  
this morning was 1,279 million  
gallons. This represents a  
gain of ten million gallons in  
the 24-hour period.

Consumption amounted to 30  
million gallons and the yield  
from dams and catchwaters  
was 40 million gallons.

Rainfall registered by the  
Water Authority was 0.87 inch  
at Tytam, 0.78 inch at Aber-  
deen, 0.98 inch at Pokfulam  
and 0.87 inch at Shek Mun.

The Royal Observatory  
recorded 1.3 inches of rain  
between 5 and 6 this morning.

## Tenders Called For Flats

Tenders for the construction  
of four blocks of resettlement  
flats at 14 Cheng Uk, Kowloon,  
are invited by the Public Works  
Department. It was notified in  
the Government Gazette this  
morning.

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FRIDAY, MAY 25, 1956.

## JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

### Henry In A Woman's World

THE self-service grocer's shop was crowded with women doing their shopping for the week-end. Briskly, methodically, the housewives thrust their way through the store, giving no quarter, expecting none. It was no place for a man to be. But a man was there.

His name was Henry and his progress from shelf to shelf and bin to bin was painfully slow, groping, fumbling, compared with that of the women who surrounded him.

Naturally, Henry attracted attention—passing looks of scorn, shut with pity, mostly. But one pair of eyes dwelt on him longer. The store detective's eyes.

#### INTO HIS POCKET

SHE recently saw Henry slip two bars of chocolate and a tin of taffy into the wire-basket as he should have done, but into his pocket.

The detective trailed him, saw him pay 11s. 1d. for the goods in his basket, and followed him into the street. There Henry paused to check the shopping list with which his wife had provided him before, herself, going off to work.

"Excuse me," the detective said to him, "I believe you have in your pocket."

She listed the items. "You've made a mistake," said Henry, but he agreed to go back with her to the manager's office. There, he confessed to his thefts. "I've been out of work," he said. "I'd no money for cigarettes or sweets or anything."

#### ONLY 3s. WAS HIS

A Henry pleaded guilty to stealing 1s. 9d. worth of chocolates and sweets. "When he was arrested," a policeman told the magistrate, Mr. Geoffrey Raphael, "he had 28s. 7d. on him, but he says that only 3s. of that was his, the rest was his wife's."

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## ROBBERY TRIAL

### Accused Is Closely Questioned

The third of three accused on trial at the Criminal Sessions on a charge of robbery with aggravation this morning was cross-examined at length by the prosecution counsel.

The three accused, Lam Kim-fung, Chan Kam-yan and Chan Ngai, are standing trial before Mr. Justice J. R. Gregg and a Jury of four men and three women on a charge of robbing a taxi driver at North Point on March 19.

Mr. D. N. E. Bea, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting.

The Crown alleged that the three men engaged the taxi in Central District. When the car arrived at North Point, they allegedly attacked Leung Kwan, the driver, and robbed him of \$37.

Chan Ngai said he was twenty years old and had never attended school. He left home when he was 16. His father is deceased but he told counsel he did not know where his mother is or whether she is still alive.

#### "HATED ENEMY"

Mr. Bea: "Your story is that on the night of March 19 the first unoccupied taxi that came along was driven by your hated enemy?"

Chan: "I do not know how many taxis came by us but when this one came up to me I recognised the driver, because he put his head out of the window."

In answer to his Lordship, Chan agreed that the taxi drove up to him in Chater Road under a street lamp. He said that the place was brightly lit by the lamp and he could see the driver clearly when he drew his taxi near.

His Lordship: "Then he could see you just as clearly as you saw him?"

Chan: "I do not know if he could see me clearly, but I saw him."

Chan agreed with counsel that the taxi had a right hand drive.

#### GREAT FRIENDS

He further agreed with Mr. Bea that he and the second accused were great friends and that he would do anything for him (the second accused) and his friends. He did not know the first accused before March 19.

Chan said that he saw the first accused's wife in North Point at night before the incident at about midnight. He knew that was the first accused's wife because he knew she was the elder sister of the second accused. The second accused had told him before that she was married to first accused.

Chan added that he had seen her within the last two years and the last occasion he had seen her was at Chinese New Year.

#### DREW OUT KNIFE

When Chan and the second accused attacked the taxi driver, Leung Kwan drew out a knife with the blade opened and threatened them. The three men then fled from the vehicle and the driver told Chan that he had knowledge of his mother's whereabouts in Shaohkwan. Chan and the driver then pushed some money into his pockets. He tried to get it back to the complainant, but the latter refused it by putting his hand away.

Chan replied that he was overjoyed when the complainant told him the news of his mother. Chan said he then accepted the money, but added that he would later give it back to Leung if he could not find his mother.

Chan agreed that when he was arrested, he made a cautioned statement to the Police which he signed. Mr. Bea then read the statement to him and Chan said that was what he had told the police.

The statement said: "I was holding a knife. The first and second accused embraced the driver. They told me to join them. I searched him. I found \$3 and put it into my pocket."

Hearing is continuing.

## Redemption Of Govt Bonds

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Friday, June 15, as the day on which bonds to the value of one twenty-fifth of the amount issued shall be drawn for redemption. The Government Gazette announced this morning.

The bonds so drawn will be redeemed on Monday, July 10. The drawing will be held at the office of the Accountant-General, Prince's Building, 100 Hoiso Street, at 2.30 p.m. on June 15.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Could I have a transfer to another district, Inspector? My wife is learning to drive!"

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### HOSPITAL APPEAL

Sir,—Last year an appeal for funds for the Matilda and War Memorial Hospital, Mount Kellett, Hongkong.

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## Peak Trams Carried Nearly 2 Million Passengers

Nearly 2,000,000 passengers were carried by the Peak Tramways Co., Ltd., during the year under review—an increase of more than 10,000 over the previous year, it was announced by Mr. W. A. Stewart, Chairman of the Board of Directors, at the company's annual general meeting at Gloucester Building this morning.

The profit, however, was lower than the previous year, due almost entirely to unusual expenditure of a non-recurring nature, but the Directors considered that the results justified an increased dividend. A payment of \$5 and \$2.50 per share was recommended.

Mr. Stewart said: It is with the greatest regret that the Directors record the death of Sir Robert Ho Tung, K.B.E., Kt., LL.D., Comm. Legion of Honour. Sir Robert served the company as a Director for over 30 years and, in that time, had seen it pass through many vicissitudes. He played his full part in all our affairs and we shall miss him, not only for his wise counsel, but for the friendly and kindly spirit which he brought into all our meetings. We express our sincere condolences to the members of the bereaved family.

In presenting the accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1956, it is necessary to explain that the reduction in profit is almost entirely due to unusual expenditure of a non-recurring nature.

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## New Liquor Licence Fees

Amended regulations to the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance are published in the Government Gazette today and they include revised liquor licence charges as follows:

If a bar is kept on the premises: (1) in the New Territories, except New Kowloon, \$500 per annum; (2) elsewhere, \$1,000 per annum.

If a bar is not kept on the premises: (1) in the New Territories, except New Kowloon, \$250 per annum; (2) elsewhere, \$500 per annum.

Transfer of licence to other person, \$10.

Club liquor licence, \$250 per annum; transfer of licence to other person, \$10.

Temporary liquor licence for public entertainment or on any public occasion, \$50 per day.

Permit for extension of hours in respect of sale of intoxicating liquors by holders of liquor licences to the general public, for the first hour \$25, for each subsequent hour \$50; to members of a private party, for the first hour \$10; for each subsequent hour \$20.

The amended regulations delete the old publican's licence and the licence fees based on the rateable value of the premises, and the restaurant adjunct licence. They also delete the Chinese restaurant licence, and the licence fees based on the rateable value of the premises.

## LICENSING JUSTICES

The Government Gazette this morning announced that the Licensing Justices for Hong Kong, Kowloon and New Kowloon under the provisions of section 49(2) of the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance, as amended, and of clause 17 of the Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) Ordinance, 1955, is as follows:

The Hon. the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Chairman; the Solicitor-General, Vice-Chairman; the Hon. Kwok Chen, Mr. D. Black, the Hon. the Governor, Mrs. C. d'Almeida e Castro and Mrs. R. Loeb.

It was also announced that Mr. J. J. Swaine has been appointed Secretary to the Board.

## Brewin Trust Fund

Mr. Loong Ping-long, Chairman, Tung Wah Hospital, and Mr. Hui Ngok, Chairman, Po Leung Kue have been appointed by His Excellency the Governor to be Members of the Brewin Trust Fund Committee. It was notified in the Government Gazette this morning.

Mr. W. A. Stewart as Directors was made by Mr. D. E. Clark and seconded by Mr. J. Arnold.

The proposal for the re-appointment of Messrs. Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. as Auditors for the ensuing year was made by Mr. R. P. Mardulyn and seconded by Mr. D. E. Clark.

Present at the meeting were Mr. W. A. Stewart, Mr. H. Kadoorie, Mr. H. D. Benham (Directors), Mr. G. M. Davreux (Secretary), Mr. J. Arnold, Mr. D. E. Clark, Mr. R. P. Mardulyn and Mr. D. Black (representing the Auditors).

Before the meeting started, those present stood for a while in silence as a mark of respect for Sir Robert Ho Tung.

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